

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 1401 EAST BROAD STREET RICHMOND, VIRGINA 23219-2000

PHILIP A. SHUCET COMMISSIONER

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All Cities, Counties and Towns All Certificated Local Exchange Providers

Ladies and Gentlemen:

RE: Right of Way Use Fees

Under State Code 56-468.1, The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is responsible for calculating the monthly fee per access line and reporting it to all affected localities and certificated providers of local exchange telephone services.

Annual Reports received indicate there were 4,445,867 access lines and 2,314,991 feet of new installation as of September 30, 2003. Based upon that information, the public right of way use fee will be \$0.59 per access line for the period July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005. This is a reduction of \$.01 from the previous rate.

All telecommunication companies affected by this legislation should take the necessary steps to include the charge on their billings and submit collections to the appropriate governmental entity. Monies due VDOT should be sent to Stacy D. McCracken, Fiscal Administrator, at the above address.

For the Certificated Providers sending the payments to VDOT, a Remittance Advice form is attached for your use.

Should there be any questions regarding the right of way use fee, please contact Edward Land at (804) 786-4429.

Sincerely,

S.A. Waymack, Director

Right of Way and Utilities Division

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Enclosure

cc: Virginia Association of Counties

Virginia Municipal League

Virginia Telecommunication Industry Association

State Corporation Commission

Ms. Stacy D. McCracken